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EBP 103/3 - Polymer Organic Chemistry [Kimia Organik Polimer]

Duration : 3 hours
[Masa : 3 jam]

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[Sila pastikan bahawa kertas peperiksaan ini mengandungi SEMBILAN muka surat yang bercetak sebelum anda memulakan peperiksaan ini.]

This paper contains SEVEN questions.

[Kertas soalan ini mengandungi TUJUH soalan.]

Instructions: Answer any **FIVE** questions. If a candidate answers more than five questions, only the first five answers will be examined and awarded marks.

[Arahan: Jawab **LIMA** soalan. Jika calon menjawab lebih daripada lima soalan hanya lima soalan pertama mengikut susunan dalam skrip jawapan akan diberi markah.]

Answer to any question must start on a new page.

[Mulakan jawapan anda untuk setiap soalan pada muka surat yang baru.]

You may answer a question either in Bahasa Malaysia or in English.

[Anda dibenarkan menjawab soalan sama ada dalam Bahasa Malaysia atau Bahasa Inggeris.]

1. [a] Write the comparison of step-growth polymerization and chain-growth polymerization.

Tuliskan perbezaan antara pempolimeran langkah dan pempolimeran rantai.

(30 marks/markah)

- [b] Write and explain the following free radical polymerization mechanisms of styrene.

- (i) Initiation by dicumyl peroxide
- (ii) Propagation
- (iii) Termination by combination

Tuliskan dan jelaskan mekanisme pempolimeran radikal bebas bagi stirena seperti berikut:

- (i) *permulaan dengan dikumul peroksida*
- (ii) *perambatan*
- (iii) *penamatan dengan gabungan*

(70 marks/markah)

2. [a] Describe briefly the following with specific example for each:

- (i) Carbonium
- (ii) Carbanion
- (iii) Chain transfer
- (iv) Termination by disproportionation

Jelaskan secara ringkas beserta dengan contoh spesifik bagi istilah-istilah berikut:

- (i) *Karbonium*
- (ii) *Karbanion*
- (iii) *Pemindahan rantai*
- (iv) *Penamatan dengan disproporsionasi*

(40 marks/markah)

- [b] Write and explain the following cationic polymerization mechanism of isobutylene.

- (i) Initiation by $\text{AlCl}_3/\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- (ii) Propagation
- (iii) Termination by uni-molecular rearrangement

Tuliskan dan jelaskan mekanisme pempolimeran kationik bagi isobutilena seperti berikut:

- (i) *permulaan dengan $\text{AlCl}_3/\text{H}_2\text{O}$*
- (ii) *perambatan*
- (iii) *penamatan dengan penyusunan semula uni-molekul*

(60 marks/markah)

3. [a] Discuss on living polymer. Discussion should be supported by chemical reaction.

Bincangkan polimer hidup. Perbincangan perlu disokong dengan tindakbalas kimia.

(60 marks/markah)

- [b] Write and explain the following anionic polymerization mechanisms of acrylonitrile.

- (i) Initiation by butyllithium
- (ii) Propagation

Tuliskan dan jelaskan mekanisme pempolimeran anionik bagi akrilonitril seperti berikut:

- (i) *permulaan dengan butyllithium*
- (ii) *perambatan*

(40 marks/markah)

4. [a] Discuss on ring opening polymerization. Answer must be supported by TWO examples.

Bincangkan pempolimeran pembukaan-gelang. Jawapan mesti disokong dengan DUA contoh.

(50 marks/markah)

- [b] Write the chemical reaction for the synthesis of the following:

- (i) Poly(ethylene terephthalate)
- (ii) Polyamide 6,6
- (iii) Polyimide
- (iv) Polyurethane
- (v) Polycarbonate

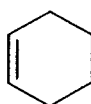
Tuliskan tindakbalas kimia untuk sintesis bagi polimer berikut:

- (i) *poli(etilena tereftalat)*
- (ii) *poliamida 6,6*
- (iii) *poliimida*
- (iv) *poliuretana*
- (v) *polikarbonat*

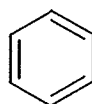
(50 marks/markah)

5. [a] Cyclohexene is non-aromatic but benzene is an aromatic structure (see Figure). Discuss their differences in terms of stability, conformation and reactivity.

Sikloheksena bersifat tak-aromatik manakala benzena bersifat aromatik. Bincangkan perbezaan antara keduanya berdasarkan kestabilan, konformasi dan reaktiviti.



cyclohexene

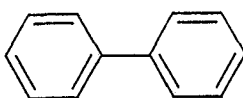


benzene

(40 marks/markah)

- [b] In gaseous phase the biphenyl unit is non-coplanar (torsional angle 45°C) but in aromatic polyetherketone the backbone subunit rings are coplanar. Explain.

Dalam fasa gas, unit bifenil adalah tak-koplanar (sudut kilasan 45°C) tapi dalam polieterketon aromatik, subunit tulang belakang ini adalah koplanar. Jelaskan.

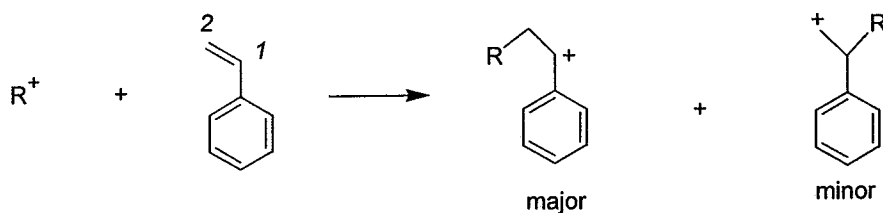


Diphenyl

(30 marks/markah)

- [c] Consider propagation step of cationic polymerization of styrene as shown below:

Pertimbangkan langkah perambatan pempolimeran kationik bagi stirena seperti yang ditunjukkan di bawah:



Why is the attack of propagating cationic centre occur at 2-carbon rather than at 1-carbon?

Kenapakah serangan pusat perambatan kationik berlaku pada karbon-2 berbanding karbon-1?

(30 marks/markah)

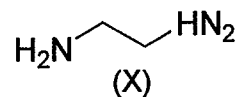
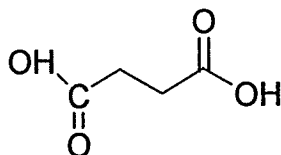
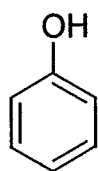
6. [a] Define electrophile and nucleophile.

Berikan definisi bagi elektrofil dan nukleofil.

(20 marks/markah)

- [b] Identify electrophilic or nucleophilic centres in the following structures:

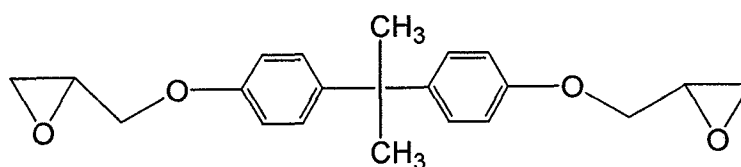
Kenal pasti pusat elektrofilik atau nukleofilik dalam struktur yang berikut:



(30 marks/markah)

- [c] Epoxy resin can be cured using diamine (X) in the above figure. Show the formation of cross-link structure of glycidyl ether-bisphenol A epoxy resin shown below with diamine (X).

Resin epoksi boleh dimatangkan menggunakan diamina (X) dalam struktur di atas. Tunjukkan pembentukan sambung-silang yang terjadi terhadap resin epoksi glisidil eter-bisfenol A menggunakan diamina (X) tersebut.



(50 marks/markah)

7. [a] Using an example, what is meant by infra-red active in Fourier Transform Infra-Red spectroscopy?

Dengan memberikan contoh, jelaskan apakah yang dimaksudkan dengan infra-merah aktif dalam Spektroskopi Infra-Merah Anjakan Fourier (FTIR)?

(25 marks/markah)

- [b] In nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectroscopy, what is meant by chemical shift?

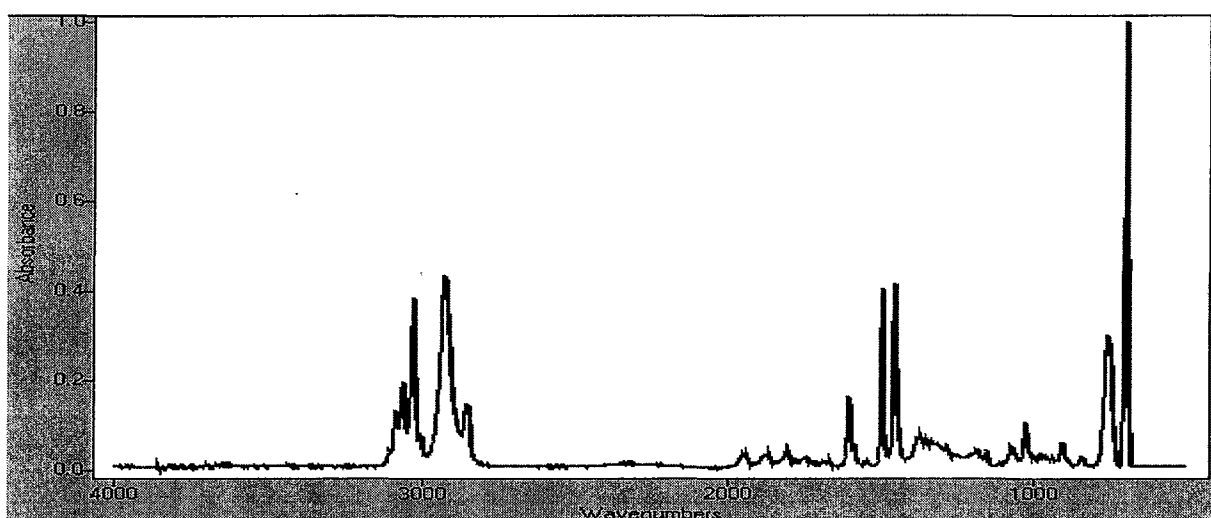
Dalam spektroskopi nuklear magnetik resonans (NMR), apakah yang dimaksudkan dengan anjakan kimia?

(25 marks/markah)

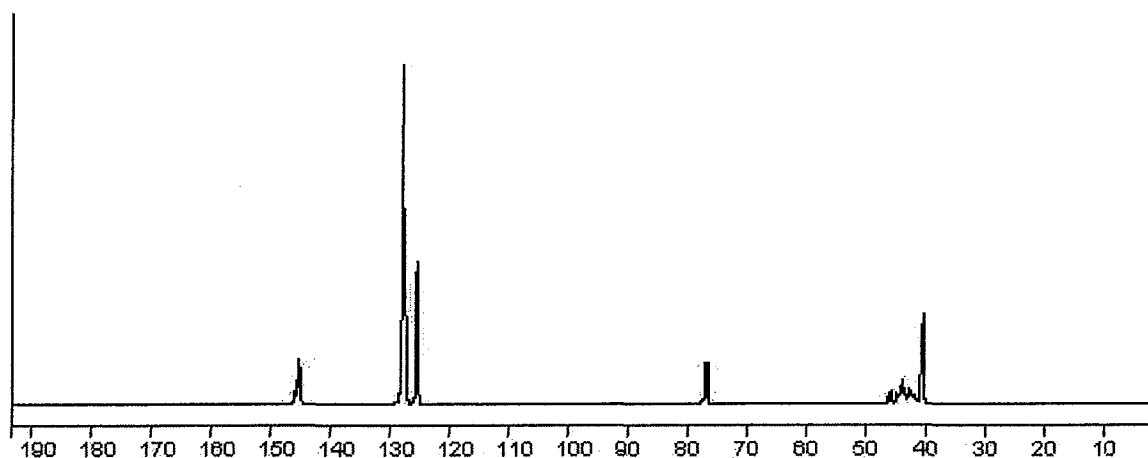
- [c] Predict the structure of a polymer based on the given FTIR, H-NMR and ^{13}C -NMR spectroscopy data given below. Explain your choice of prediction:

Ramalkan struktur suatu polimer berdasarkan data spektroskopi FTIR, H-NMR dan ^{13}C -NMR yang diberi. Berikan alasan terhadap ramalan anda:

(50 marks/markah)



FTIR



^{13}C -NMR